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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

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Group Art Unit: 1711

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Serial No.: 09/726,769

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Filed: November 29, 2000

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Examiner:

**Title: Methods of Functionalizing and
Functionalized Metal Oxide**

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**Particles and Mechanically Strong
and Transparent or Translucent**

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**Composites Made Using Such
Particles**

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE
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Applicants respectfully request an extension of time of one month to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed February 15, 2001.

In response to the form Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, mailed on February 15, 2001, please find enclosed Declaration executed by Benjamin L. Furman, Stephen T. Wellinohoff, Henry R. Rawls, Hong Dixon and Barry K. Norling, and Power of Attorneys executed by Walter D. Downing Jr. and Cullen M. Godfrey, for the referenced application. Applicant is a small entity. Also enclosed is the return copy of the form entitled Notice to File Missing Parts of an Application Filing Date Granted.



The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Small Entity fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. **50-0997(SWRI-2749A)** for the amount due on the surcharge for missing parts (\$65) and the fee for a one months extension of time (\$55). The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. **50-0997(SWRI-2749A)**.

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